

7. The trustees so appointed and qualified are a body politic, with power to sue and be sued, by the name of "Trustees for the Poor of Frederick county," and by that name may take, hold and enjoy any gift, donation or present which may be given, devised or bequeathed to them for the support and maintenance of the poor in said county.

8. They shall have power to purchase, take and hold any lands, tenements or hereditaments not exceeding the yearly value of twenty-five hundred dollars.

9. They may use a common seal, and the same at their pleasure may change and alter.

10. They shall have power to make such laws, orders and rules for the better relieving, regulating and setting the poor to work, and punishing vagrants, beggars, vagabonds and other offenders, and for the good government of the alms-house in said county, as to them shall seem proper.

11. They shall purchase for the use and employment of the inmates of said alms-house, sufficient beds, bedding, working tools, kitchen utensils, cows, horses and other necessities, and shall keep a regular account of all moneys expended by them.

12. All meetings of said trustees shall be held at the alms-house of said county, except such meetings as may be necessary for the settlement of their accounts with the county commissioners.

13. They shall meet on the first Monday of February in each year, and as much oftener as they may deem necessary.

14. They shall at their annual meeting in February appoint some suitable person to be overseer or keeper of the alms-house, and manager of the farm connected therewith, from the first Monday of April then next succeeding.

15. They may remove such overseer or keeper at their discretion, and appoint another in his place at any time during the year, whenever in their judgment the interests of the county may require it.